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ABSTRACT

This annual report describes the Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN) Project, a joint venture of the Texas Department of Human Services and the Alamo Area Council of Governments in Bexar County. The goal of the ICAN Project was to establish a network of agencies in the county that could develop a team approach to handling child abuse cases. The project presents a model for (1) developing the network; (2) facilitating an ongoing forum for interagency planning, cooperation, coordination, communication, and resolution of issues; and (3) developing written interagency procedures and protocols for reporting and responding to child abuse cases. In addition to providing a summary of first-year operations, discussion focuses on project operations, accomplishments, issues, and recommendations. The section on issues and recommendations discusses three major community issues: a sexual assault treatment facility, a juvenile offenders treatment facility, and qualified therapists. A list of ICAN participating agencies, a statement of the goals of ICAN subcommittees, a reproduction of the cover of a conference brochure, a conference workshop evaluation form with tabulated results, and an ICAN pamphlet are appended. (RH)

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September 30, 1986

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GENERAL INTRODUCTION

In the past year, the Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) conducted eight projects that present creative ideas to develop, strengthen, and carry out programs for prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect. (Project titles and locations are shown in figure 1.)

PROJECT GOALS

The goals of the eight projects, funded by Part I of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (Public Law 93-247, as amended), are as follows:

- o developing innovative child abuse and neglect programs using volunteer and private agencies;
- o developing innovative child abuse and neglect programs for adolescents;
- o strengthening the quality of child abuse and neglect services through competency-based and specialized training programs and through automated performance tracking;
- o developing an Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN) in conjunction with the criminal justice system; and
- o developing models and program designs for planning and delivering child abuse and neglect services and for allocating resources.

PROJECT NAME AND TYPE OF REPORT

This report is one in a series of eight separately packaged reports on the following demonstration projects, five of which are ending this year (final reports) and three of which will continue for another year (annual reports):

- o Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention (final report);
- o Advanced Job Skills Training (annual report);

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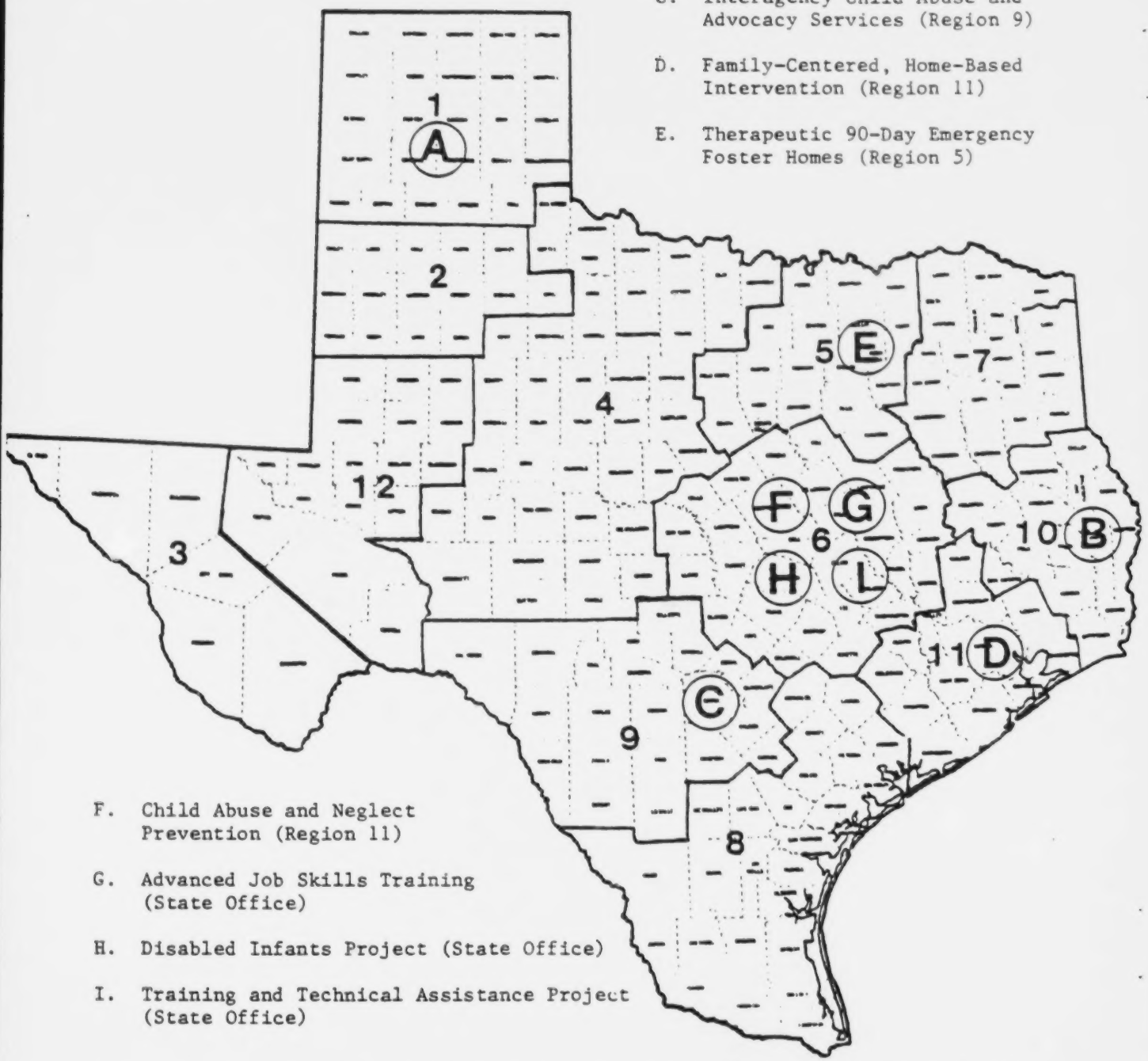

Figure 1. Location of projects by DHS region (or state office--located in DHS Region 6)

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- Family-Centered, Home-Based Intervention for Protective Services Clients (final report);
- Automated Performance Tracking and Productivity Improvement (final report);
- Life Skills for Adolescents (final report);
- Therapeutic 90-Day Emergency Foster Homes (final report);
- Interagency Child Abuse Network (annual report); and
- Advocacy Services (annual report).

SELECTION AND ADMINISTRATION

Priorities from DHS's long-range plan provided the basis for selection of the eight projects to be demonstrated, and project results will be used in planning improvements in systems for delivering child protective services (CPS).

Six projects were managed by various DHS regions, and two were run by the Protective Services for Families and Children (PSFC) Branch at DHS headquarters in Austin

Three of the projects--Interagency Child Abuse Network, Advocacy Services, and Family-Centered, Home-Based Intervention--were cooperative ventures between DHS and community-based organizations (for the first two projects, with the Alamo Area Council of Governments and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office of San Antonio; for the third project, with DePelchin Children's Center of Houston).

The Automated Performance Tracking and Productivity Improvement Project was conducted in DHS's Region 10, the Life Skills for Adolescents Project in Region 1, and the Therapeutic 90-Day Emergency Foster Homes Project in Region 5.

The projects entitled Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and Advanced Job Skills Training operated out of the PSFC Branch at DHS headquarters in Austin.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Each of the eight annual or final reports may be obtained by contacting--

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From the Office of Strategic Management, Research, and Development (SMRD)--headed by Murray A. Newman, Ph.D.--efforts were contributed by several members of SMRD's Special Projects Division, which is administered by Alicia Dimmick Essary. Joe Flores, project designer, prepared the original grant proposal. Lucretia Dennis-Small, project specialist, provided support to the project, prepared reports to the funding source, and arranged for nationwide dissemination of project results. Nicholas Constant, Phyllis Jamar, and Peggy Borgfeld of the Technical Communications Section contributed to the good quality of project documents.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report describes the methods used to develop a "team" approach to handling child abuse cases.

The Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACoG) in Bexar County (San Antonio) undertook a joint venture to establish a network among agencies that dealt with child abuse. The network was begun through this demonstration project--Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN).

The ICAN Project contracted with the AACoG to fund a liaison person to facilitate ICAN activities. As project operations continued, the network served as a forum for subcommittees--on resources, education, protocol, and volunteers--to identify community issues and recommend resolutions. The ICAN liaison facilitated meetings of the four subcommittees and helped to articulate goal statements.

The project helped sponsor a conference entitled "Breaking the Cycle of Child Sexual Abuse: A Training Institute for Professionals." Later in the project, the Office of the Governor sent a representative to an ICAN meeting to learn more about the network. The representative showed particular interest in the fact that volunteers were carrying out the project's operations.

Also included in this report is a section called "Issues and Recommendations," which discusses three major community issues: a sexual assault treatment facility; a juvenile offenders treatment facility; and qualified therapists.

BACKGROUND AND ORIGIN

On June 26, 1984, the District Attorney of Bexar County (San Antonio, Texas) created a task force on child abuse and charged it with (1) producing a comprehensive plan for effective prosecution of child abuse cases and (2) recommending procedures and policies that would promote a team approach among agencies involved in handling these cases.

Task Force Report

The task force published its report in January 1985; two of its major recommendations were--

1. **Establish a network** among agencies that deal with child abuse. The task force reported that coordination among agencies that deal with child victims is crucial to successful investigation and treatment of child abuse. It said also that agreement on basic goals is essential among major agencies that deal with child victims. Task force members agreed that good working relations among all involved agencies would decrease the time it takes to begin treatment and dispose of criminal charges.

2. Provide **specialized staff** within the district attorney's office to perform **advocacy functions** for victims and families in cases processed through the criminal justice system. The task force concluded that the child victim and the family need an advocate within the district attorney's office who is sensitive to their needs and who can provide needed assistance, including protection from the perpetrator.

Inception of the Project

To assist in implementing the two task force recommendations in Bexar County, Region 9 of the Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) proposed the Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN) and Advocacy Services Project.

Both projects were funded by P.L. 93-247 grant funds and implemented in September 1985. This annual report describes the ICAN Project, which funded a contracted position to serve as liaison through the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACoG). This liaison had the responsibility of starting up the interagency network.

GOAL

The goal of the ICAN Project was to establish a network of agencies in Bexar County that could develop a "team" approach to handling child abuse cases. The project presents a model for (1) developing the network; (2) facilitating an ongoing forum for interagency planning, cooperation, coordination, communication, and resolution of issues; and (3) developing written interagency procedures and protocols for reporting and responding to child abuse cases.

OBJECTIVES

The following six objectives were established for the ICAN Project:

- to establish and facilitate an ongoing forum for interagency planning, cooperation, coordination, and communication;
- to define clear roles and responsibilities of ICAN member agencies;
- to coordinate activities of ICAN;
- to identify and make recommendations about issues that ICAN should address;
- to develop and recommend dissemination of written interagency procedures and protocols for reporting and responding to child abuse cases; and
- to provide information to local officials for needed legislative changes.

PROJECT OPERATIONS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Forum for Interagency Planning

The child protective services (CPS) program in San Antonio contracted with the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACoG) to establish and facilitate an ongoing forum for interagency planning, cooperation, coordination, and communication.

The project director was hired on October 7, 1985. During her early weeks as director, she read and analyzed the task force report and its recommendations for improving services to abused and neglected children and their families. Also, she met personnel from several agencies to find out how they processed child abuse/neglect and child sexual abuse cases. In these meetings, participants discussed systems used to refer cases for treatment and how these systems could be improved. The meetings served as information-gathering sessions and were the beginning of interagency communication.

Coordination

As the project director identified agencies in San Antonio and surrounding areas that were frequently involved in handling child abuse/neglect and child sexual abuse cases, AACoG issued invitations to the agencies asking them to join ICAN (a list of agencies now participating in ICAN can be found in Appendix A). ICAN membership reached over 100 individual participants.

Communication

As one of her primary responsibilities, the ICAN liaison had the task of getting out the word that ICAN was operational. To accomplish this task, she participated in radio interviews about ICAN, met with community groups, and spoke to high school and graduate social work classes. The liaison kept ICAN-member agencies informed about developments such as treatment theories and state-of-the-art facilities by re-

searching literature and mailing copies of informative articles to them.

Resolution of Issues

Many of ICAN's initial meetings were spent relating the network's purposes to agencies and individuals who were attending the meetings for the first time. To help the network focus its efforts, the ICAN membership decided to set up four subcommittees: protocol (5 members), resources (12 members), legislation (7 members), and education (8 members). Each of the committees had individuals representing various agencies and disciplines (a goal statement for each subcommittee can be found in Appendix B). Generally, the committees began developing procedures and activities to address identified social service, medical, and treatment needs for the Bexar County area.

Legislation Subcommittee

After identifying some needed legislative changes, ICAN members decided it was inappropriate for the legislative subcommittee to operate within ICAN since the subcommittee's main function would be to lobby for legislative changes in the area of child abuse/neglect. This subcommittee no longer operates as an entity of ICAN but reconvened as a combination of the original district attorney's task force on child abuse and another DA's task force on domestic violence.

Education Subcommittee

The education subcommittee decided to target the following groups for its initial campaigns--parents, churches, the medical community, and the judiciary. Members volunteered to explore strategies for approaching the targeted groups. As strategies were developed, the subcommittee members presented ideas to the ICAN general membership for discussion and approval.

Protocol Subcommittee

The protocol subcommittee agreed to focus its efforts on--

- o developing agreements between agencies to structure reporting, investigation, and prosecution of child abuse cases; and

- o developing agreements for providing therapy to victims and their families, for coordinating case management, and for showing information on case actions to investigative and judicial personnel.

Resources Subcommittee

The resources subcommittee decided its initial priority would be to try to increase the number of qualified therapists trained to treat sex offenders. In June 1986, AACoG helped sponsor a training course in San Antonio entitled "Breaking the Cycle of Child Sexual Abuse: A Training Institute for Professionals." (A copy of the conference brochure's cover appears in Appendix C.) Other sponsors were the San Antonio Coalition for Children, Youth, and Families; Trinity University; and DHS Region 9.

A major airline donated tickets to conference presenters, and a local hotel gave them free rooms.

Conference attendees rated the conference highly. (A copy of the workshop evaluation form and the tabulated evaluation results can be found in Appendix D.)

Governor's Representative

Late in the project year, the Office of the Governor sent a representative to an ICAN general membership meeting. The representative expressed interest in the ICAN concept, particularly in the volunteer component of the project. Subsequently a volunteer subcommittee was added to the network.

Media Invitations

The ICAN network wrote to four prominent San Antonio media people and invited them to join the organization. The network felt that the communication specialists could help inform the community about ICAN's existence and activities. To date, one media representative has joined the network.

Roles and Responsibilities

Throughout the project year, ICAN-member agencies held meetings to clarify their roles and responsibilities in child abuse/neglect cases. The meetings served as forums for agencies to ask questions of each other about their procedures (e.g., what happens when a case of child abuse is received, what forms are used, time frames for actions, order of proceedings, and so forth).

DHS, the district attorney's office, law enforcement officials, and area hospitals have been primarily involved in defining roles and responsibilities. As roles are more clearly defined, some system will be developed for monitoring the effectiveness of the established protocols.

To date, the two issues that have made it difficult to clarify responsibilities have been—

- **lack of uniform definition** of a child (age limits range from 14 to 18 years of age); and

- **dual reporting**; by law, persons with knowledge of child abuse incidents must report to both DHS and law enforcement agencies. This law caused some confusion, particularly at schools when law enforcement officers responded to child abuse complaints by going to the school campus to conduct their investigations.

ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Although the general ICAN membership was encouraged to cite issues, the four subcommittees--protocol, resources, educa-

tion, and volunteers--had primary responsibility for identifying community needs and issues and for making recommendations about resolutions.

Sexual Assault Treatment Facility

During the year, the resources subcommittee noted that the community had no facility to treat victims of sexual assault. The subcommittee recommended that development of such a facility should become a priority for the community. The ICAN general membership agreed with the subcommittee and asked that they explore ways to make the treatment facility a reality.

The human resources manager from AACoG and three area physicians located a sexual assault center in the northwestern United States and visited the center to learn about its operations. Upon their return to San Antonio, this delegation (later expanded to become the resources subcommittee) recommended to ICAN that San Antonio establish a facility offering similar services to child victims.

Subsequently, the Bexar County Hospital District committed space for the establishment of a sexual assault center. However, there are no funds to staff the program.

The subcommittee sought out appropriate sources for funding the sexual assault center and, in July 1986, applied for funds through the Victims of Crime Program, a state program in Texas.

Adult Offenders Treatment Facility

Another project of the resources subcommittee is a treatment facility for adult sex offenders. The subcommittee began discussions with a national hospital corporation about providing a 50-bed hospital for adult sex offenders. So far, the corporation has been receptive, and the project is still in the discussion stage.

Qualified Therapists

ICAN is facilitating efforts to develop a process to screen therapists who treat adult and juvenile sex offenders. The membership agreed that therapists must have certain minimum qualifications (which are being determined) before sex offenders can be referred to them for treatment.

ICAN also has set up a peer supervision group, in which practicing therapists discuss cases and receive advice.

The resources subcommittee is in the process of getting agreement from area physicians, social workers, law enforcement entities, and other disciplines on the essential and desired credentials for professionals treating sex offenders. When agreement is reached, a method(s) will be developed to ensure that sex offenders are referred to professionals recognized as having at least minimum credentials to treat this client population.

SUMMARY OF FIRST-YEAR OPERATIONS

Accomplishments

AACoG, DHS staff, and ICAN-member agencies agree that the project goal and objectives are being met. In the opinion of the project participants, the following accomplishments were most notable:

- assembling over 100 persons from different disciplines and allowing them to get to know one another;
- establishing trust among various disciplines and a mechanism for community problem solving;
- agreeing on the need for minimum qualifications for therapists who treat sex offenders and beginning a process to develop these minimum standards;
- developing a peer supervision group;

- o starting work on a treatment center for sexual assault;

- o identifying needed legislative changes; and

- o producing a pamphlet on ICAN that lists phone numbers of community agencies that can help with problems of child abuse/neglect (Appendix E).

Problems Areas

In the manner of demonstration projects, ICAN participants in retrospect identified certain issues that they would have approached differently. The following paragraphs list those issues and recommended resolutions.

Issue. In order to avoid identification of ICAN as a single agency's effort, the ICAN liaison's office was located in an AACoG facility. Agencies understood that AACoG was an entity separate from DHS and readily participated in the network.
Resolution. The liaison should be placed in an office not identified with a single agency, to make it clear that the network is a community effort.

Issue. Many agencies were reluctant to participate in the ICAN network. They had no knowledge of its purposes.
Resolution. Before project start-up (perhaps in the grant application stage), inform as many agencies as possible about project intent and proposed operations.

Issue. Although the ICAN general membership feels the involvement of the courts is essential in any work to be done with sex offenders, the courts have not been as involved in ICAN as the group feels necessary for successful intervention.
Resolution. The judicial and probation systems should be included in the proposal stage of any grant application that requires changes in their methods of operating.

Issue. "Turfism" among therapists from different training backgrounds is a divisive force and delays decisions about

projects and about ways to get the community to focus on helping children have better lives.

Resolution. ICAN will continue to serve as a forum to bring the disciplines together and to focus their attention on the community problem of improving the quality of life for children in the area and throughout the state.

Issue. The project applied to DHS for continuation funding for another year.

Resolution. DHS has awarded ICAN continuation funding for fiscal year (FY) 1987. After FY 87, ICAN must find another funding source.

CONCLUSIONS

The Interagency Child Abuse Network began in Bexar County (San Antonio, Texas) in September 1985. Since its inception, the network has served as a vehicle for concerned agencies and individuals to address issues about the quality of life for children in its geographical area and throughout Texas.

So far, the network has pulled together people from several disciplines to begin discussions about the needs of children in the community (e.g., treatment facilities for child victims of sexual assault, treatment facilities for adult sex offenders, credentials for professional therapists, legislative issues, and issues concerning the systems that encounter and handle reports of child abuse/neglect).

ICAN's membership identified the following issues as critical to making progress toward effective intervention in cases of child abuse--

- a uniform reporting system;
- a cooperative and informed judicial system;
- competent therapeutic resources;
- education on separation issues (e.g., children being placed in substitute care or adoption);

- o a refined substitute care system; and

- o alternatives to removals from families.

The network received funding from DHS to continue its activities through FY 87.

LIST OF ICAN PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

Alamo Area Council of Government

Alamo Area Rape Crisis Center

Bexar County Adult/Juvenile Probation

Bexar County District Attorney

Bexar County Medical Auxiliary

Bexar County Medical/Psychiatric Department

Brady Green Community Health Center

Child Advocacy of San Antonio

Children's Hospital

City of San Antonio

Community Counseling Service

Community Guidance Center

Family Outreach of San Antonio

Family Services Association

Lackland Air Force Base/Wilford Hall

Luthern Social Services

Mental Health Association

Northside Independent School District

San Antonio Coalition for Children, Youth and Families

San Antonio Police Department

San Antonio Independent School District

St. Mary's University/Community Counseling

United Way

University of Texas Health Sciences Center/Department of Pediatrics and Psychiatry

GOALS OF ICAN SUBCOMMITTEES

Goal Statements for ICAN Subcommittees

RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE

To facilitate the development of a set of minimum qualifications for therapists who treat sex offenders.

To increase the number of qualified therapists in the community who treat sex offenders.

To organize a group that will provide peer supervision and support to therapists, share research and treatment techniques, and problem-solve within the system that provides treatment to sex offenders.

EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

To identify educational needs regarding child abuse/neglect and child sexual abuse with the community and facilitate community education as needs are identified.

PROTOCAL SUBCOMMITTEE

To develop interagency agreements for handling cases of child abuse/neglect and child sexual abuse among agencies that handle these cases--DHS, law enforcement, hospitals, probation, military, district attorney, and other treatment groups.

VOLUNTEER SUBCOMMITTEE

Because this committee was formed late in the project year, a goal statement has not been developed. However, during the first quarter of the second project year, ICAN will develop a goal statement for this subcommittee.

APPENDIX C

Conference Brochure's Cover

Breaking the Cycle of Sexual Abuse: A Training Institute For Professionals

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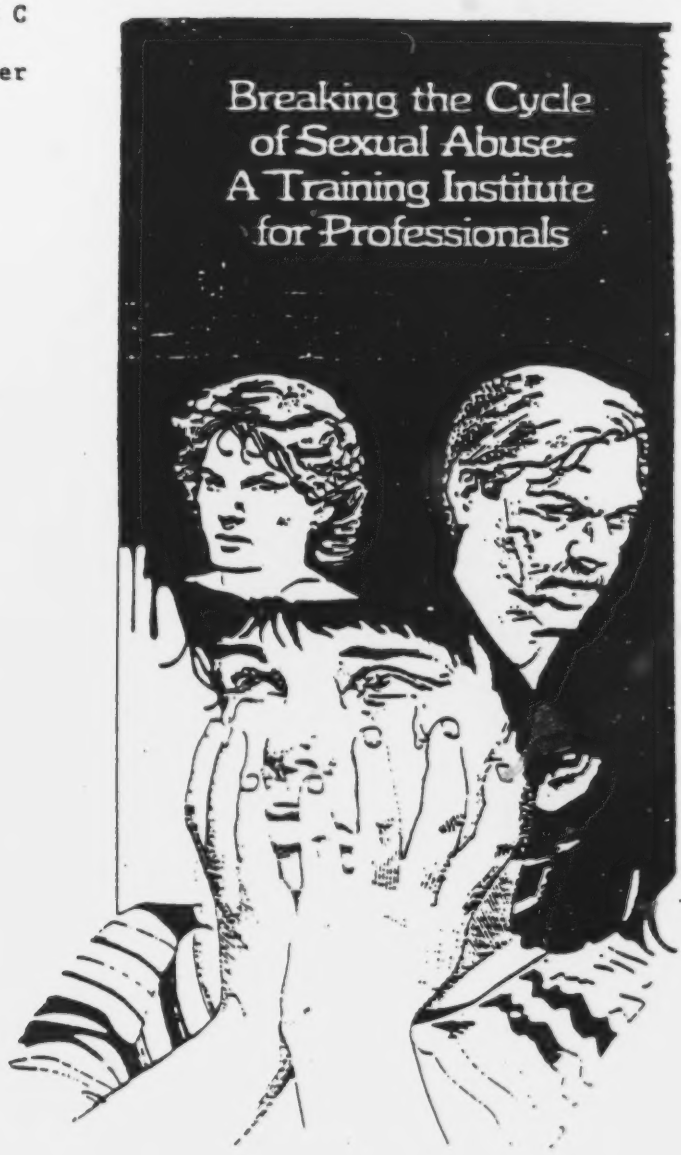

A Conference
co-sponsored by
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Texas Department of Human Services
Region -09
The San Antonio Coalition
for Children, Youth and Families
Trinity University
June 11, 12 and 13, 1986
at Trinity University

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CONFERENCE CONCEPT AND OBJECTIVES

Breaking the cycle of sexual abuse is of vital concern to all of us who work with children. Mental health professionals, those working in corrections, school and medical personnel, ask if therapy is effective in altering the behavior of those adults who sexually victimize children. We know, from studies of adult male offenders, that many of them were sexually victimized as children and that non-incest offenders usually begin their pattern of assaults as juveniles. Can appropriate intervention with child victims and juveniles interrupt the cycle of victimization?

In this conference the preventive role of therapy is a common thread uniting intensive training tracks on therapy with the child victim, therapy with the juvenile sex offender and therapy with the adult sex offender. The workshops on a variety of issues and specific techniques both complement the training tracks and offer an alternative to conference participants.

A bill enacted in the 69th Texas Legislature enables judges to mandate therapy for sex offenders as a condition of probation or parole, adding that the offender will bear the cost of such therapy. This conference offers training by nationally and locally recognized experts to those community mental health professionals who may be providing offender and victim therapy. The conference seeks to enhance the skills of professionals working with victims and offenders, present effective treatment modalities and inform the community of methods we can all utilize in "Breaking the Cycle of Sexual Abuse."

A SPECIAL WORD OF THANKS

The Bexar County Legislative Delegation assumed a leadership role in the 69th Texas Legislature in sponsoring and passing numerous bills relating to child abuse and family violence. Since the Session, public officials, school district personnel, agency staffs, and a committed network of volunteers have labored together on implementation of the legislation. The reception preceding the keynote address is in honor of this special group of citizens who have the welfare of children as a primary concern - and act upon that concern. We applaud your efforts and thank you for your participation and leadership.

The Planning Committee

ACCREDITATION

Applications pending for credit from:

- Texas Adult Probation Commission
- Texas Juvenile Probation Commission
- Texas Department of Human Services
- Our Lady of the Lake University - Worden School of Social Service
- Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors

PARKING

Parking for the keynote address at the Ruth Taylor Concert Hall will be available behind the auditorium in Lot B. During the workshops and institutes, parking will be available near Chapman Graduate Center in Lot G.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 11, 1986

6:00-7:30 p.m.	Wine and Cheese Reception Conference Registration	Ruth Taylor Courtyard
7:30 p.m.	Welcome and Introductions Recognitions	Ruth Taylor Theatre
	Keynote Address "New Ideas in Thinking About Child Sexual Abuse"	

Thursday, June 12, 1986

8:00 a.m.	Registration	Chapman Graduate Center
9:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions	Chapman Graduate Center
• Institute I: Contextual Family Treatment		Room N204
• Institute II: Juvenile Sexual Offenders		Room 31

WORKSHOPS

A. Adolescent Development and the Effects of Abuse	Room 40
B. Group Counseling with Abused Children	Room 45
C. Expert Court Testimony in Child Abuse Cases	Room 225
D. Family Violence	Room 110

12:00 noon Lunch On Your Own

1:30 p.m.	Institute I Continues	Room N204
	Institute II Continues	Room 31

WORKSHOPS

E. Understanding the Adult Sexual Offender	Room 110
F. Healthy Sexuality: Stumbling Blocks to Attainment	Room 40
G. Adult Survivors - Problems and Treatment Issues	Room 45
H. Hypnosis in the Treatment of Sexual Abuse	Room 225

Friday, June 13, 1986

8:00	Registration	Chapman Graduate Center
9:00	Institute I Continues	Room N204
	Institute II Continues	Room 31

WORKSHOPS

I. Assessment of Adult Sexual Offenders	Room 110
J. Homebuilders: Keeping Families Together	Room 40
K. Juvenile Sex Offender Assessment	Room 45

12:00 noon Lunch On Your Own

1:30 p.m.

L. Treatment with Adult Sexual Offenders	Room 110
M. Homebuilders: Keeping Families Together	Room 40
N. Outpatient Juvenile Sex Offender Treatment	Room 45
O. Interviewing the Young Victim	Room N204
P. Working with the Workers: Therapist's Stress Created by Working with Sexual Abuse Cases."	Room 31

Breaking The Cycle Of Sexual Abuse:

A Training Institute For Professionals

EVALUATION

_____ (session or workshop title)

_____ (name of presenter)

PLEASE CHECK ONE RATING FOR EACH ITEM

	VERY GOOD	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	VERY POOR	DOES NOT APPLY
Organization of content.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Clarity of concepts and vocabulary.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Adequacy of materials covered.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Use of audio-visual aids.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Opportunity for audience participation....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Quality of bibliography and/or handouts...	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Style of delivery.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Relevance to overall program objectives...	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Relevance to my interests and needs.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]
Contribution to professional growth.....	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]	[]

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

What I liked best: _____

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Improvements needed _____

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APPENDIX D

Conference Workshop Evaluation Form
and Tabulated Evaluation Results

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BREAKING THE CYCLE OF SEXUAL ABUSE: A TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR PROFESSIONALS
June 11-13, 1986
Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas

WORKSHOP EVALUATIONS

SCALE: 5 = Very Good, 4 = Good, 3 = Fair

WORKSHOP TITLE, Presenter			Contribution to Professional Growth			
			Relevance to My Interests and Needs		X	X
	Relevance to Overall Program Objectives					
	A*	N**	X	X	X	X
Contextual Family Treatment: The Victim, The Victimizer (Jan DeLipsey, Ph.D.) . . .	27	15	56	4.3	4.1	4.3
Juvenile Sexual Offenders: Assessment & Treatment (Michael O'Brien, Ph.D.)	19	11	58	4.9	4.7	4.8
Adolescent Development and the Effects of Sexual Abuse (R. Reposa & L. Richmond). .	45	45	100	4.5	4.4	4.4
Group Counseling with Abused Children (Doreen Milam, Ph.D.)	37	33	89	4.6	4.7	4.7
Expert Court Testimony in Child Abuse Cases (M. Zuelzer, Ph.D. & J. Rogers, M.D.) .	49	41	82	4.2	4.2	4.2
Research on Family Violence (David Finkelhor, Ph.D.).	41	41	100	4.2	4.2	4.1
Understanding the Adult Sexual Offender: A Cultural Perspective (Tom Burditt, MSW)	62	52	84	4.5	4.5	4.5
Healthy Sexuality: Stumbling Blocks to Attainment (Mark Steege, MSW)	58	41	82	4.5	4.5	4.6
Adult Survivors: Problems & Treatment Issues (Barbara Stamper, Ph.D.).	25	25	100	4.4	4.4	4.2
Hypnosis in the Treatment of Sexual Abuse (Rick Bruhn, Ed.D.)	29	25	86	4.7	4.6	4.6
Assessment of Adult Sexual Offenders (Tom Burditt, MSW)	60	54	90	4.8	4.7	4.7
Homebuilders: Keeping the Families Together (Mary Fisher)	64	50	77	4.4	4.2	4.4
Juvenile Sex Offender Assessment (Carlos M. Loredo, Ph.D.).	56	37	66	4.6	4.5	4.6
Treatment with Adult Sexual Offenders (Tom Burditt, MSW).	48	33	63	4.8	4.7	4.7
Homebuilders: Keeping the Families Together (Mary Fisher)	17	9	53	4.2	3.9	3.9
Outpatient Juvenile Sexual Offender Treatment (Carlos Loredo, Ph.D.).	44	34	77	4.8	4.7	4.8
Interviewing the Youth Victim: Investigation & Validation (Jan DeLipsey, Ph.D.) . .	63	31	49	4.6	4.5	4.6
Working with the Workers (Josue Gonzalez, Ph.D.).	28	14	50	4.3	4.3	4.4

*A = Attendance (from Session Roster Sheets)

**N = Number of Responses (from Evaluation Forms)

NOTE: David Finkelhor, Ph.D., presented the Keynote Address the evening of June 11, 1986. Evaluation forms were not distributed for the Keynote. However, verbal comments were very positive.

The following is a partial listing of resources which can help in problems of child abuse or neglect.

DHS to report abuse	53-ABUSE
Help Line	227-HELP
Warmline	657-3094
Avance	734-7924
Bexar County MHMR - Children's Unit	220-2018
Catholic Family and Children's Services	433-3256
Children's Service Bureau	223-6281
City of San Antonio Child Abuse Intervention Program	299-7174
Community Counseling Center - OLL	434-6711
Community Guidance Center	696-7070
Family Advocacy Office - BAMC	221-4357
Family Advocacy Office - Lackland AFB	671-2847
Family Life Center of St. Mary's University	436-3133
Family Outreach of San Antonio, Inc.	732-1278
Family Services Association	226-3391
Family Support Center - Kelly AFB	925-4221
Jewish Family Services	349-5481
Lutheran Social Service of Texas	227-8142
Mexican American Unity Council	227-6428
Parents Anonymous	732-6154
San Antonio CARES	732-1051
Youth Alternatives, Inc.	340-8077

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APPENDIX E

ICAN Pamphlet

Child abuse and neglect is not only a serious community problem, but a serious crime as well. As the number of child abuse referrals has risen it is more crucial than ever that a multi-disciplinary, interagency approach be implemented to better insure the sensitive, effective handling of these cases. We owe the vulnerable children and families in our community a humane, supportive environment in which they can face their crises, receive appropriate intervention, and emerge with their dignity intact.

The Interagency Child Abuse Network (ICAN) was formed in 1985 at the recommendation of the District Attorney's Task Force on Child Abuse. ICAN is a federally funded state demonstration project with the goal of increasing communication and cooperation between member agencies involved in any aspect of handling child abuse cases, whether it be contact with victims, offenders or their families. Accomplishments of the first year include:

1) The development of interagency agreements with TDHS, D.A.'s office, law enforcement, and hospitals.

2) Establishment of minimum qualifications for therapists who work with sex offenderes.

3) Formation of a peer support group of professionals who work with victims, offenders or their families.

Currently ICAN is involved in:

1) Setting up training opportunities for professionals in the area of child abuse.

2) Developing information for the judiciary.

3) Identifying needed legislative changes

4) Providing an ongoing forum for interagency planning and problem solving.

5) Distributing the new protocols to agencies.

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PARTICIPATING AGENCIES

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D.A.'s Family Violence Unit

Law Enforcement Agencies

School Districts

Bexar Co. Probation Departments

Hospitals

Bexar County Medical Examiner

Board of Pardons and Parole

Military Social Services

City Child Abuse Intervention Program

Judiciary

San Antonio CARES

Bexar County Jail

Treatment Resources

United Way

Bexar County Commissioners

Child Advocates San Antonio

Mental Health Association

Bexar County Medical Auxiliary